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Uberveillance

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Total and inescapable internal, personal surveillance.

"All Australians could be implanted with microchips for tracking and identification within the next two or three generations," Australia's ninemsn reported, quoting Dr Michael G. Michael from the University of Wollongong:

> **Uberveillance** is not on the outside looking down, but on the inside looking out through a microchip that is embedded in our bodies … This black box will then be a witness to our actual movements, words – perhaps even our thoughts – and play a similar role to the black box placed in an aircraft.

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